

**CALHOUN COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
MINUTES
APRIL 20, 2004**

PRESENT & ACTING:

**WILLIAM E. SEWELL, CHAIRMAN
WILLIE TRUMAN GRANT, VICE-CHAIRMAN
EARL HUNT
JIM PICKRON
S. DONNELL WHITFIELD**

**MATT FUQUA, ATTORNEY
ROMAN WOOD, DEPUTY
RUTH W. ATTAWAY, CLERK
BRENDA TODD, DEPUTY CLERK**

The meeting was called to order by Deputy Wood, prayer and Pledge of Allegiance was led by Commissioner Pickron.

SHIP BIDS

Attorney Fuqua opened and read the sealed bids as follows:

	WEBB	RODDENBERRY	PUMPHREY	COUNTY
R DUDLEY	\$14,900	\$14,758	\$18,992	\$13,400
HABERMAN	\$19,000	\$19,050	\$18,900	\$16,400
J A PITTS	\$13,100	\$13,245	\$13,500	\$12,800
L PITTS	\$12,900	\$13,150	\$12,990	\$11,600

Following discussion, the motion was made by Commissioner Whitfield, seconded by Commissioner Hunt to accept low bid per house, per contractor. Motion carried 5-0.

BID – G. U. PARKER ROAD HAZARD MITIGATION PROJECT

The Board received one sealed bid on G.U. Parker Road Hazard Mitigation Project as follows:

<u>BIDDER</u>	<u>TOTAL BASE BID</u>
C.W. Roberts Contracting, Inc.	\$244,935.00

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Mr. Don A. "Sonny" O'Bryan stated that G.U. Parker bid was \$90,000 over the estimated cost budgeted for this project. The estimated cost for this project was based on similar recent advertised projects; but, inflated oil prices were not a consideration. Mr. O'Bryan noted that Clerk Attaway and he met and discussed the legality of change ordering G.U. Parker Road Project to an existing open contract with C.W. Roberts that could have produced an approximate savings of \$70,000 to taxpayers of Calhoun County. It was determined that this project should be advertised based on Calhoun County Procurement Policy. Furthermore, Mr. O'Bryan stated that shoulder work and sod was not included in the project scope of work. The project length is approximately 2.2 miles from the end of the existing pavement to G.T. Warren's driveway. Clerk Attaway stated that, in the past, we have change ordered other additional projects to an existing bid contract at the same unit cost; however, the County Auditor's questioned the practice based on the magnitude of change orders versus the original contract agreement. After discussion, a motion was made by Commissioner Pickron, seconded by Commissioner Grant and carried to accept the one and only bid from C.W. Roberts Contracting, Inc. for \$244,935.00 with Commissioner Hunt voting no.

DON A O'BRYAN, EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT/GRANTS COORDINATOR

Mr. O'Bryan presented to the Board a Memo regarding Lee Farm Road Drainage Project as presented to the Community Traffic Safety Team (CTST) at their April 14, 2004 meeting. The projected cost (based on actual bid cost of Alliance Road Drainage Project) is \$173,000. This project estimate includes the installation of pipes, inlets and engineering and design. After discussion, a motion was made by Commissioner Whitfield, seconded by Commissioner Hunt and carried not to approve the project at this time due to the lack of funds, but to authorize Mr. O'Bryan to seek any available State or Federal funding for such projects.

Mr. O'Bryan presented to the Board a Memo regarding Suggs-Attaway Road Drainage Project as presented to the Community Traffic Safety Team (CTST) at their April 14, 2004 meeting. The projected cost for this project is \$12,272.92. After discussion regarding the amount of work needed for this project, Commissioner Whitfield made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Hunt and carried not to approve the project at this time due to the lack of funds, but to authorize Mr. O'Bryan to seek any available State or Federal funding for such projects.

Mr. O'Bryan reported that Tommy McClellan had resigned from the Community Traffic Safety Team (CTST). Mr. O'Bryan recommended to the Board to appoint Greg Jones to fill the vacancy left by Mr. McClellan. After discussion, a motion was made by Commissioner Pickron, seconded by Commissioner Whitfield and carried to appoint Greg Jones to the Calhoun County Community Traffic Safety Team.

Mr. O'Bryan stated to the Board that Emergystat had reported to Mr. Howard Johnson, Chairman of Calhoun County's Community Traffic Safety Team (CTST) that road signs were missing throughout the County, making it difficult to locate residences. Furthermore, he stated that Ronnie Stone, Calhoun County 911 Mapping & Addressing, is surveying each District for missing road and stop signs. He reported that in District III there were 51 signs missing (35 public and 16 private road signs). Mr. O'Bryan stated that his staff would assist the Road Department in locating and replacing missing road signs. After discussion, a motion was made by Commissioner Whitfield, seconded by Commissioner Pickron and carried to replace missing County road and stop signs to be paid from the General Fund Miscellaneous Line item (513.49). It was further stated that the Board approves Mr. O'Bryan's office in assisting the Road Department in making and replacing these signs.

MAXIE WALDORFF – INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY BOARD

Maxie Waldorff, IDA Board reported that they had met with City of Blountstown Officials on April 13, 2004 regarding the transfer of the water and sewer system at the ag-park. Mr. Waldorff further stated the Apalachee Regional Planning Council had made a presentation to the City in favor of the transfer.

Mr. Waldorff also reported that the ARPC is looking for grant funds that may be available for this project.

Mr. Waldorff also brought to the Board's attention that the Waste Water Treatment Plant permit is to expire on 10/06/04. He is looking into obtaining an extension on the permit to allow the City to get their project together.

CLARENCE GRIFFIN – PINE ISLAND ROADS

Mr. Clarence Griffin came before the Board to discuss the condition of some of the roads and road signs in the Pine Island subdivision.

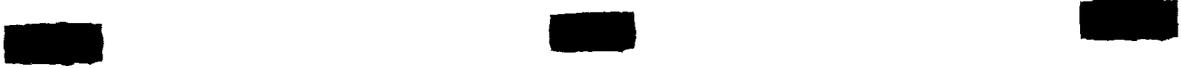
Commissioner Hunt responded to Mr. Griffin stating that he would get with Road Superintendent Bill Adkins and would have someone out there immediately to determine exactly what needs to be done in that area.

ATTORNEY FUQUA

Attorney Matt Fuqua informed the Board that a mediation hearing on the lawsuit regarding the accident on Highway 286 has been set for April 29, 2004.

Attorney Fuqua further stated that he has done some research on the Jehue Landing and that Commissioner Pickron is still looking into the matter and asks that the audience be patient. Mr. Fuqua would have more to report later.

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Attorney Fuqua assured the audience that all concerned citizens will be notified when this matter comes before the Board at a later date.

CLERK RUTH W. ATTAWAY

Clerk Attaway requested a delay in approving the minutes of April 6, 2004. There were some issues that were to be placed in the minutes and she wishes to listen to the tape of that particular meeting to be sure that the minutes reflect these issues as they were stated in the meeting.

Clerk Attaway asked the Board for a motion approving the appointment of Mary Alday to the Workforce Development Board.

Commissioner Hunt made the motion to approve the appointment of Mary Alday, of Oglesby Nurseries, to the Chipola Workforce Development Board. Commissioner Pickron seconded the motion, carried unanimously.

Clerk Attaway informed the Board that the County Health Department had auctioned some surplus property on April 17, 2004 and is asking the Board's approval for the funds derived from the auction be kept by the County Health Department. The amount from the auction was \$114.30.

A motion was made by Commissioner Whitfield to authorize the County Health Department to keep the funds from the auction of surplus property in the amount of \$114.30. Seconded by Commissioner Grant and carried 5-0.

COMMISSIONER HUNT

Commissioner Hunt reported to the Board that the Ocheessee Landing dumpster is being utilized by individuals dumping their household garbage. He is having to have the inmates out twice a week to clean up around it where garbage is falling out of the dumpster and is being just thrown on the ground if the dumpster is full. He requested that this be brought to the attention of the Litter Control Officer Dowling Parrish.

COMMISSIONER PICKRON

Commissioner Pickron requested the Board allow Road Superintendent Bill Adkins to keep one truck to be used at the Superintendent's discretion.

Following discussion, Chairman Sewell polled the Board and it was determined that the trucks will be left as they are at this time.

COMMISSIONER SEWELL

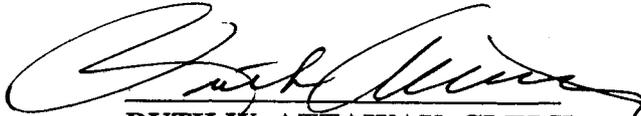
Commissioner Sewell questioned what had become of the building materials dump site that was to be located off Silas Greene Road.

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Commissioner Whitfield stated that the hold up is the fact that they are waiting on permits from Department of Environmental Protection.

There being no further business, the Board did adjourn.

ATTEST:


RUTH W. ATTAWAY, CLERK


WILLIAM E. SEWELL, CHAIRMAN

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